

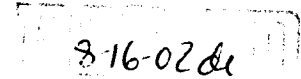
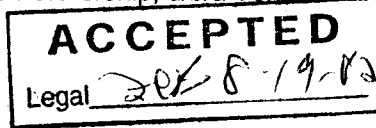
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August 14, 2002

Mr. David Lacoste  
Public Service Commission of SC  
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Re: Approval of the CMRS Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless pursuant to Sections 251, 252 and 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Docket No. 96-340-C

Dear Mr. Lacoste:

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless submit to the South Carolina Public Service Commission their negotiated agreement for the interconnection of their networks. The agreement was negotiated pursuant to Sections 251, 252 and 271 of the Act.

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Act, the Commission is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated agreement between BellSouth and Cellco Partnership within 90 days of its submission. The Commission may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. Both parties represent that neither of these reasons exists as to the agreement they have negotiated and that the Commission should approve their agreement.

The effective dates of this agreement shall be from July 15 2002 until July 14, 2004.

Very truly yours,

s/C. Lesley Addis

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Enclosures

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